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PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

#### HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

PRO. this day our Prices for the Under-mentioned PATENT MEDICINES and PROPRIETARY ARTICLES will be as follows, viz.

Alcock's Corn Plasters	\$0.40
Pain Expeller	\$0.40
Beecham's Pills	\$0.40
Bell's Ointment	\$0.40
Bongor's Liqueur Pancreaticus	\$1.00
Bishop's Ointment of Calamine	\$0.40
Bragg's Charcoal Powder	\$0.75
Brand's Essence of Chicken	\$0.50
Brou's Injection	\$1.00
Brown's Bronchial Troches	\$0.40
Bunter's Nerve	\$0.40
Brilliantine-Touché	\$1.00
Burroughs, Wellcome & Co.'s Dialysed Iron	\$1.00
Ditto Hazeline	\$0.60
Chlorodyne—O'Leary's Indian	\$1.45
Cholagogue—O'Leary's Indian	\$1.45
Clark's Blood Mixture	\$0.40
Cook's Pills	\$0.40
Cundy's Fluid	\$0.40
Cuticura Soap (per Box)	\$1.00
Perry Davis' Pain Killer	\$0.40
Dimondoff's Kidney Magnesia	\$0.40
Dr. Barry's Revolver	75 cents & \$1.00
Elliman's Royal Embrocation	\$0.40
Em's Fruit Salt	\$0.40
Glover's Court Plaster	\$0.40
Goddard's Plaster Powder	\$0.40
Grillon's Tamar Indian	\$0.40
Grinnell's Cigarettes	\$0.75
Gayot's Tor Solution	\$0.75
Holloway's Pills	1/12 40 c., 2/9 80 c.
Intiment	1/12 40 c., 2/9 80 c.
Jayne's Sensitive Pills	\$0.40
Joy's Anti-Emetic Cigarettes	\$0.40
Kay's Essence of Linseed	\$0.40
Coaguline	\$0.40
Katting's Tract Powder	\$0.40
King's Dandelion Pills	\$0.40
Lactopne	\$0.40
Lalor's Rhinoid	\$0.40
Lampough's Saline	\$0.40
Levill's Gout Drops	\$0.40
Mellin's Food for Infants	\$0.40
Morrison's Pills	\$0.40
Nalidre's Dog Soap	\$0.40
Nouraline	\$0.40
Norton's Camomile Pills	\$0.40
O. S. Tooth Block	\$0.40
Ped's Foot Powder	\$0.40
Pain Expeller	\$0.40
Powell's Balsam	\$0.40
Rigoli's Mustard Leaves	\$0.40
Dr. Rooke's Oriental Pills	\$0.40
Rowland's Macassar Oil	\$0.40
"Golden"	\$0.40
"Oleoline"	\$0.40
Russian Isinglass	\$0.40
Saunder's Face Powder	\$0.40
Saunder's Santal Oil Capsules	\$1.00
Savory and Moore's Infant's Food	\$0.40
Scott's Liver Pills	\$0.40
Sherrill's Syrup	\$0.40
Southern Powders	\$0.40
Southern Mineral Pastilles	\$0.40
Truebright's Brillianine	\$0.40
"Euchemia"	\$0.40
Vaseline, in 1 lb. tin	\$0.40
Warren's Essence of Balm	\$0.40
Wilkinson's Sarsaparilla	\$1.00
Winslow's Soothing Syrup	\$0.40
Wright's Coal Tar Soap	1/10 Box \$0.40
Wyeth's Dialysed Iron	\$1.00
Ridgely's Food for Infants	\$0.40
Robinson's Patent Barley and Groats	\$0.40
Calvert's Carbolic Soap	\$0.40
Toilet Soap (per box)	\$0.40
Medical, per Tablet	\$0.40
Household Bars	\$0.40
Pears Scented 1/2 of Soap Tablets	\$0.40
A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.	Hongkong, 19th December, 1889. 2396

#### HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

(Late The Hall & Holte Co-Operative Company, Limited.)

### NOTICE.

As sufficient Shares have been applied for to float the above Company, the business will be taken over (in accordance with the Prospectus) from this date; but in deference to numerous requests from intending Subscribers the Share List will be kept open until the 31st Instant.

January 1st, 1890.

#### REFERRING to the above notice we beg to announce that a

#### GREAT CLEARANCE SALE

WILL BEGIN ON

#### MONDAY NEXT.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1890. 10

#### CHAMPAGNE.

VIN BRUT, ROYAL CUVÉE, LEMOINE.

AS SUPPLIED TO

H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES.

H.R.H. THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH.

H.R.H. THE LATE EMPEROR FREDERICK OF GERMANY.

THE special feature of this Wine is that it is fermented in the juice of the grape alone, without the addition of candy syrup or sugar of any kind.

A DRY CHAMPAGNE, to be palatable must be made of the finest raw material. A SWEET CHAMPAGNE can be made of almost any material. The excessive quantity of sugar in the latter makes completely original character.

A DRY CHAMPAGNE will agree with persons to whom the sweetened Champagnes are injurious; it is a true stimulant to mind and body, rapid, volatile, transient, and harmless. This Natural Champagne is recommended as being really dry, not by means of artificial additions, but because it is the natural process of fermentation has been completed.

Agents for Hongkong,

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,

LIMITED.

22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, December 21, 1889. 2408

## Intimations.

#### HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE KWONG KWAN YEEN CHALLENGE CUPS.—Value \$200 and \$100 respectively. Also TWO CONSOLATION CUPS, value \$100 each.

The FIRST COMPETITION for the 1st Stage will take place NEXT SATURDAY, the 11th Instant, at 2.30 p.m., commencing at 300 Yards.

The ENTRANCE FEE for this Stage only, i.e. 30 Cents, or for the Two Stages, i.e. 60 Cents, must be paid to the Hon. Secy. on Friday next, the 10th Instant. The Second Stage will be shot off on Saturday, the 18th Instant.

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Hon. Secretary, c/o Hongkong Club.

Hongkong, January 7, 1890. 60

#### THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the City Hall, on THURSDAY, 23rd January, 1890, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1889.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on THURSDAY, 23rd January, 1890, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1889.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., General Agents for the West Point Building Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, January 7, 1890. 43

#### THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the City Hall, on THURSDAY, 23rd January, 1890, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1889.

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By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 7, 1890. 40

#### PIESSE & LUSIN.

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## Business Notices.

### LANE CRAWFORD & CO.

#### FOR SALE.

#### A New Stock of

#### "DEMON" TENNIS BATS.

#### KENSINGTON TENNIS BATS.

#### THE "PERFECT" TENNIS BALLS.

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#### TAPE TENNIS COURTS.

#### TENNIS SHIRTS, WAIST SCARVES.

#### TENNIS SHOES.

#### LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, January 3, 1890. 23

#### ROBERT LANG & Co.,

Tailors, Hatters, Shirtmakers and Gentlemen's Outfitters.

#### WE HAVE JUST OPENED OUT OUR

#### NEW AUTUMN GOODS,

consisting of

A LARGE AND CHOICE SELECTION OF COATINGS FOR MORNING AND EVENING DRESS.

A very Stylish Lot of TWEEDS, New in Design and Material, and a varied Assortment of TROUSERS in all the Newest Patterns.

QUEEN'S ROAD (opposite Hongkong Hotel), Hongkong, September 14, 1889. 1780

#### W. POWELL & Co.

LADIES', GENTLEMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S

#### WARM CLOTHING.

HOSIERY, KNITTED WOOLLEN GOODS, JACKETS, GLOVES,

MITS, SHAWLS, BLANKETS, &c., &c., &c.

W. POWELL & Co.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, January 4, 1890. 28

#### Victoria Hotel,

Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place.

The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Services of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE D'HOT is always provided and served in the spacious, large Dining Hall.

The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, Reading, Billiard and Smoking Rooms.

The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE, Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 16, 1889. 1612

## Intimations.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place at Stonecutters' Island from FRIDAY, the 3rd, to WEDNESDAY, the 15th January (Sundays excepted), between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The Line of Fire will be in a South-Westerly direction from the Battery. All Ships, Junks, and other VESSELS are cautioned to keep clear of the Range.

By Command, A. LISTER, Acting Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Hongkong, December 31, 1889. 14

#### The Natural Mineral Waters of

#### VICHY

GRANDE-GRILLE.—For Affections of the Liver, Biliary Organs, &c.

CELESTINS.—For the Kidneys, Gravel, Gout, Rheumatism, Diabetes, &c.

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HAUTEVILLE.—An excellent TABLE WATER.

OF ALL CHEMISTS IN AUSTRALASIA.

#### THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

#### EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 16th day of January, 1890, at 12 o'clock noon, when, in accordance with the Requirements of Article 96 of the Deed of Settlement of the Corporation, the Shareholders will be requested to authorize the Directors to accept an Ordinance passed by the Governor in Council of Hongkong amending the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Ordinance No. 5 of 1865.

By Order of the Court of Directors, G. E. NOBLE, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, November 30, 1889. 2270

#### NOTICE.

White from N. 15° W. to N. 85° 30' W. Red from N. 85° 30' W. to S. 85° W. White from S. 85° W. to S. 24° W. Red from S. 24° W. round by South to S. 87° E. White from S. 87° E. to N. 81° E. From N. 81° E. round by North to N. 15° W. the light will be entirely obscured by Loka Island.

The bearings are magnetic and taken from seaward; and until a further notice is issued, the sectors are subject to alteration.

The light will be elevated 128 feet above the sea and in clear weather the white light should be visible from a distance of 15 miles.

The tower is round, built of stone, with a total height from the base to the crown of the lantern of 29 feet.

The tower and lightkeeper's dwellings are painted white.

The approximate geographical position is—Latitude 20° 15' N. Longitude 122° 27' 30" E.

N.B.—This light will be exhibited mainly in the interest of Chinese junks and fishing boats, and the provision of the red & white sectors is experimental. Until further notice therefore vessels of Foreign type are warned not to make use of it.

By Order of the Inspector-General of Customs, E. V. BRENNAN, Acting Coast Inspector.

Imperial Maritime Customs, Coast Inspector's Office, Shanghai, 1st January, 1890. 34

## Intimations.

#### THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....\$5,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....2,500,000

RESERVE FUND.....1,250,000

Board of Directors:

Hon. J. J. KESWICK, Chairman.

Hon. C. P. CHATEL, Vice-Chairman.

E. A. SOLOMON, Esq., J. S. MOSES, Esq., S. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq., G. E. NOBLE, Esq., LEE SING, Esq., POON FONG, Esq.

Bankers:

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

MONEY ADVANCED ON MORTGAGE, on LAND or BUILDINGS; PROPERTIES

PURCHASED AND SOLD.

Estates managed, and all kinds of Agency and Commission Business relating to Land, &c., conducted.

Full Particulars can be obtained at the Company's Offices, No. 5, Queen's Road Central.

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

Victoria Buildings, Hongkong, 3rd May, 1889. 644

#### DENTISTRY.

#### FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.

#### MODERATE FEES.

#### MR. WONG TAI-FONG,

Surgeon Dentist.

(FORMERLY ASSISTANT APRENTICE AND LATER ASSISTANT TO DR. ROBERTS.)

At the urgent request of his European and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. Roberts.

No. 2, DUNDRELL STREET.

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Discount to missionaries and families. Sole Address

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

**PAKED SUEZ CANAL.**  
**OUTWARD BOUND.**—Glenmore, Nov. 22; Cambodia, 26; Humber, Dec. 6; Benlavers, Hesperia, Hector, 17; Shah, 20; Curran, Hesperia, Glenfines, 24; Tiam, New Guinea, Glenmore, 24; Laerte, Niteroi, 31.

**HOMEWARD BOUND.**—Aster, Dec. 8; Agamemnon, 24; Glenmore, 27; The O. & S. S. Co.'s steamer *Gaelic*, with the American Mail of Dec. 14, was to leave Yokohama on Friday, the 3rd January, at 6 p.m., and was expected here on or about Thursday, the 9th Jan.

The Canadian Pacific Co.'s *Atahualpa*, from Vancouver, left Japan for Kobe, Nagasaki and Hongkong on the 7th Jan.

The O. & S. S. Co.'s steamer *Dionaea*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 31st Dec., and may be expected here on or about the 8th Jan.

The Glen Line steamer *Glencairn*, from London, left Singapore on the 2nd Jan., and may be expected here on or about the 10th Jan.

The O. & S. S. Co.'s steamer *Bellerophon*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 3rd Jan., and may be expected here on or about the 10th Jan.

The Glen Line steamer *Glenlyon*, from London, leaves Singapore on Jan. 5, and may be expected here on or about the 11th Jan.

The P. & O. extra s.s. *Shanghai*, from London, left Singapore for this port on the 5th Jan., and may be expected here on or about the 11th Jan.

The Ben Line steamer *Benlog*, left Singapore on the 6th Jan., and may be expected here on or about the 13th Jan.

The s.s. *Breconshire*, from London &c., left Singapore for this port on the 7th Jan., and may be expected here on or about the 14th Jan.

The E. & A. S. Co.'s steamer *Tamandua*, left Port Darwin for this port on the 7th Jan., and may be expected here on or about the 17th Jan.

The P. & O. Co.'s extra steamer *Kookoo*, left Bombay for this port on the 28th Dec.

The P. & O. Co.'s extra steamer *Bombay*, left London for this port on the 28th Dec.

This delivery of the English Mail was begun at 6.15 p.m.

MISSUS RUSSELL & Co. inform us that the E. & A. S. Co.'s steamer *Tamandua* left Port Darwin for this port yesterday, and may be expected to arrive on the 17th inst.

The following telegram has been received from Shanghai by Mr. A. K. Travers, Hon. Secretary E.R.C.C.:—

'Sorry impossible arrange team China New Year. Writing prospects later date.'

A TELEGRAM has been received by the German Consul in Hongkong that Her Majesty Empress Augusta, widow of the late Emperor William of Germany, died suddenly yesterday.

The Hon. A. P. MacLennan has kindly consented to distribute the prizes to the winners of the Diocesan Home and Orphanage, on Saturday, 11th January, at noon.

At the Regular Convention of the Victoria Chapter No. 625, held on the evening of the 7th inst., the following Companions were elected as officers of the Chapter:—

M.E.Z. .... M. Ex. Comp. F. A. Hazeland.  
 H. .... A. D. Death.  
 Treasurer .... A. R. Madan.  
 Scribe E. .... J. Dyer Ball.  
 Scribe N. .... H. W. Sampson.  
 P.S. .... J. W. Boyd.  
 Stewards .... J. Kirkwood.  
 Junior .... J. W. Kay.  
 Junior .... J. Maxwell.

Mr. Wedhouse to-day concluded the inquiry into the Tung Wo Lano murder. No new facts were brought to light, and the crime remains as great a mystery as ever.

His Worship found that the deceased had been murdered by some person or persons unknown, and there, so far as can be seen at present, the matter will rest. The result is a highly unsatisfactory one, but in the circumstances it could not be otherwise.

The 'person unknown'—it seems clear from the evidence that there were three of them—were in all probability out of the colony and in safety before the police heard of the affair.

The case affords a somewhat alarming illustration of the facility with which crimes can be committed here, and of the difficulty there is in bringing the criminals to justice.

The Fire Brigade has been distinguishing itself lately by the smartness with which it gets to work when called to duty.

The manner in which the fire in Tung Man Lane was dealt with last night afforded a striking instance of this. The new 'Dispatch Box,' which we noticed some time ago, has proved, as we anticipated, very serviceable in the important function of getting water to play on the fire as quickly as possible after the alarm. The members of the Brigade seem thoroughly to appreciate the usefulness of the 'box,' and in every case in which its services can be made available a point is made of getting one wheeled to the scene of the fire in the best possible time.

Last night a European fireman, standing on one of the great ladders at Tung Man Lane, rather a difficult place to get into, was with so small and handy an apparatus as this—and at the corner of Wing Kut Street No. 4—fire engine blocked the way. The man with the ladder did not stop, however, but pushing it through between the wheels of the engine, ran round and taking hold of the chain on the other side continued his journey with undiminished speed.

Fire broke out in a house in Tung Man Lane shortly after ten o'clock last night, but was very smartly tackled by the Fire Brigade, and consequently resulted in no very serious loss. The lane is one of the narrowest of the series of filthy and overcrowded passages between Queen's Road and the Praya, and if the fire had been allowed to spread it would undoubtedly have worked great havoc. The room in which the fire had its origin is on the first floor and was occupied by a priest and his servant, both of whom were in bed. On awaking and finding the house on fire they both jumped from the window, the result of which is that they are now in hospital, the priest with his right heel torn away, and his servant suffering from injuries to his legs. There was a shrine in the room, in front of which a glass tumbler, with a little oil and a wick, was suspended by a wire from the roof and served as a lamp. This lamp was always kept lighted, and the priest is of opinion that the fire was caused by a rat running away with the lighted wick. The house was partially destroyed by the fire, and some damage was done to the top floor of an adjoining tenement.

The works of the Canton Paper Manufacturing Co. at the village of Yuen Po, about ten miles above Canton, are expected to be in full operation in a fortnight. The result of the venture will doubtless be watched with interest. The company is entirely a Chinese one, with a capital of Tls. 150,000, and their intention is to manufacture only the varieties of brown paper in common use among the Chinese, although the machinery, with a little alteration, could be adapted to produce white paper if required. The buildings and plant, which cost about \$100,000, include all that is necessary for the work to be engaged in, and it is estimated that about forty tons of paper will be turned out per week. Messrs. Bortman and Son of Edinburgh are the makers of the machinery, and it has been fitted up under the personal superintendence of Mr. Hensburgh, the paper manager, and Mr. Grierison, the engineer of the company; Mr. Andrew Johnston, of Hongkong, being consulting engineer.

A trial of the machinery was made in presence of the directors on the 4th inst., with most satisfactory results. About one hundred natives will be employed in the works, the only Europeans being Messrs. Hensburgh and Grierison. Several Chinese formerly employed in paper works in America have been engaged. Bids straw will be the material chiefly used in paper-making, but rags will also be employed to some extent.

**PROMOTION IN THE ARMY.**—Since the late Duke of Wellington observed that 'it would be easy enough to officer the British army for nothing, that there would be an abundant supply of officers forthcoming even if they were not paid for their services,' the content, or discontent, of the officers of the British Army has never been taken into consideration by any Secretary of State based on drawing up a new warrant. But things were very different when that remark was made to what they are now. To-day the majority of men who enter the service are poor men who are largely dependent upon their pay, and later on the pension they receive on leaving the service. This being the case, neither their pay nor their pension is considered in the publication of royal warrants, and we fail to see any way out of the difficulty except by a concerted action on the part of the officers themselves. The medical staff combined and obtained the redress to their grievances, they asked for it, why should not the constant officers do the same?—*Amplified and Home Guards Gazette.*

**THE NAGASAKI EXPRESS OF 10th JANUARY.**—As the P. & O. s.s. *Nizam* was turning round previous to leaving the harbour about 5.30 p.m. on Thursday last, she had the misfortune to not foul the Russian s.s. *Wladivostok*. In doing so she slightly damaged the bow of that vessel, but receiving no injury herself she proceeded on her journey to Hongkong. The *Wladivostok* was at the time on the point of leaving for a cruise in search of the missing crew of the Russian schooner *the Rose*, the loss of which vessel was recorded in our last issue. Dr. Bouge, an experienced explorer, at present attached to the *Kreuzer*, and Lieut. Subarine of the *Admiral Nachmoff*, have been detached to lead the search, and after procuring the necessary passports to Tokyo they were to be picked up at Hakodate by the *Wladivostok*, but in consequence of the accident that vessel cannot leave in time, and they will have to prosecute the search overland. The task they have undertaken is by no means an easy one, or devoid of danger, and we sincerely wish them success in their undertaking, but fear the prospects of them discovering and rescuing the objects of their search to be very remote.

**THE HEALTH OF THE GREAT TOWNS.**—The weekly return of the Registrar-General shows that the deaths registered last week in twenty-eight great towns of England and Wales corresponded to an annual rate of 18.2 per 1,000 of their aggregate population, which is estimated at 9,550,400 persons in the middle of this year. The rate varied from 8.6 at Brighton to 30.7 at Plymouth. In London 2,517 births and 3,378 deaths were registered. The annual death-rate per 1,000 from all causes, which had increased in the four preceding weeks from 15.4 to 17.4, declined again last week to 16.8. The 1,374 deaths included 33 from measles, 37 from scarlet fever, 30 from diphtheria, 81 from whooping-cough, 23 from enteric fever, 2 from ill-defined forms of contagious fever, 17 from diarrhoea and dysentery, and 174, designated as 'fever,' typhus, or cholera; these 185 deaths were referred to these diseases, being 73 below the corrected average. Different forms of violence caused 67 deaths. In Great London 3,293 births and 1,737 deaths were registered, corresponding to annual rates of 30.2 and 16.1 per 1,000 of the estimated population.

**ACCORDING TO THE HOCHI SHIMBUN'S INFORMATION**, the Kyoto Weaving Company has been able to obtain the service of a French artisan, who is credited with the invention of a method of rendering woven goods proof against all kinds of stains. He is said to have made this invention while in the employment of a weaving company at Lyons. His employer tried to purchase the discovery at a trifling price, but the inventor was soon offered more favourable terms by other proprietors of weaving establishments. It was finally agreed that the monopoly should be put up to competition among the contending capitalists. One of the members of the Kyoto Weaving Company happened to be staying in Lyons at the time, and he at once determined to try his chance. As he was the highest bidder, he was able to obtain the services of the inventor. The inventor and his wife arrived at Kyoto on the 12th inst. by the *Seishun Maru*. His name is not given, but his age is stated to be about forty.—*Japan Mail.*

**AN EYE-WITNESS EXTRAORDINARY.**—The following answers given to interrogations are going the rounds of the English and American papers:—'Who was Moses? He was an Egyptian. He lived in a bark made of bull-rushes, and he kept a golden calf and worshiped brass snakes, and he northed but quailed at the air of his forty years. He was born by the side of a red while ridge under a bow of a tree, and he was killed by his son Aaron as he was hanging from the bow. His wife was peace.' 'What do you know of the patriarch Abraham? He was the father of Isaac and Esau. One was called Hamaiah and the other Hagar. He kept one at home and he hurried the other into the desert, where she became a pillow of salt in the daytime and a pillow of fire at night.' 'A certain man was born from Jerusalem to Jericho and he fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked him. Whereupon he gave up his life to the host and said take care on him and put him in his home here. And he passed by on the other side.'

**MENTAL APATHY DUE TO BRAIN SURFACE.**—In an article in the *Popular Science Monthly*, Dr. M. A. Starr says that 'there are many interesting facts about the brain which the general public do not know. It is to be divided between Russia and America, it might be better for general peace if the sea remains unbridged.'

**THE WEIGHT OF A CUBIC INCH OF WATER.**—A cubic inch of distilled water, which forms the basis of our present imperial weights and measures, is defined by Act of Parliament in the reign of George IV. to weigh 252.468 grains. Re-determinations of this ratio have since been made, and the result has been that the weight of a cubic inch of water at the temperature of maximum density is equal to 252.336 standard grains. This alteration must necessarily affect the gauging of beer and stout, and we understand that the authorities at the Standards Office have proposed to the President of the Board of Trade that steps should forthwith be taken for re-gauging the national measures. We hope that when the matter comes before the House of Commons it will be speedily settled, and that the metric system, which has now been introduced into use in most countries, will be discussed, and that the correction of this error will have some effect in simplifying our present complex system of weights and measures.—*Industria.*

**WRITING ON THE EVENTS OF THE PAST YEAR** the *Shanghai Evening News* says:—'Nothing very startling has disturbed the even tenor of the community, though several new matters connected with our little republic have arisen, which demanded a little more than ordinary public attention. We need not here enumerate all the things which have been going on, but we must mention the disposal of the question of the Garden Bridge, and of the long-expected topic of the Ince Forebears, which has now been generously presented to the community as an additional public game, and which has been the subject of much discussion at one time, threatened to become a national problem—namely, the admission of the Chinese to the present Public Garden—was also got rid of. Many important matters, which at one time obtained a good deal of our attention, have now been almost completely dropped out of sight; amongst others, the long-talked-of Town Hall; but we hope during the coming year to see that subject revived and advanced to a practical stage. The question of the Weaving Box has also been dropped, and everything is ready except the opportunity, when the wife of Shin became frightened and divulged the whole secret to the Authorities on the 30th ult. 'Shin was at once arrested, together with two other courtiers. Another member of the party named Hsiao (the Chinese pronunciation) is said to have fled to his native place Chong-jin in Ching-ching-doo, where he is supposed to have a number of followers. A party of soldiers has been despatched to that place. According to the confession of Shin, many of the Ministers of the King are stated to be connected with the plot. He and the two other courtiers were under sentence of speedy execution at the time of his desertion. Such is the outline of the story. It has not yet been confirmed by any other authority.—*Japan Mail.*

**THE PAN-AMERICAN.**  
 Half a speech, half a meal,  
 Into more food and talk  
 Rode the one luncheon.  
 'Come, Pan-American, let us  
 Come and let's shake your hand,  
 Sit on to stop and slake  
 Rode the one luncheon.  
 'Come, Pan-American!  
 Did they not let the plants  
 Grow in the garden?  
 And their vines are full  
 Theirs not to make reply,  
 Theirs not to reason why,  
 Theirs but to eat and fit,  
 Into the natural way.  
 'Rise, O Pan-American!  
 Banquet to the right of them,  
 Banquet to the left of them,  
 Banquet in front of them,  
 While a world wondered  
 Struck at with word and wine,  
 They sit in state to banquet  
 But eat and banquet both  
 And are talked to death—  
 Suffering one hundred.  
 —*Columbus Dispatch.*

**THE ORIGIN IN KOREA.**  
 The *Korea*, in a note dated with Korean, says:—'By the most recent news received from Seoul we learn that the situation of the Korean Government are in a very bad state, as officials have not been paid their salaries for months, nor have the soldiers even received their rations regularly, and that in consequence of the oppression and over-bearing conduct of the civil and military officials towards the merchant and agricultural classes, these latter are being daily driven to increasing numbers to discontent and lawless courses. Such a state of affairs has been allowed simply to drift into space and impenetrable fog. The Viceroy Li found that even his moderate scheme of management was much too concrete for the molasses of the capital, and he has let Korea drop for very weariness, and the chapter accordingly once more thrown up some Korean drifted on the beach—when it will be dealt with empirically, as usual. The question of the defence occupies the Government incessantly, as is shown by the comparative boldness with which the various Viceroy and especially Li Hung-chang, proceed with their programme. Empty as the treasuries are, there is always the wherewithal to purchase foreign guns, though not to buy ships. It appears that the sea-board is beyond the means of the Government's resources, and all other reinforcements, and the Viceroy, acting under the new board of Admiralty—such a brand new institution that it has scarcely come to be recognized as yet as a fact subject for attack—do very much to pay any price in regard to coast defence. By a steady division of labour which differs from the practice of all other States, the Board of Admiralty is the institution placed in charge of railways. This is putting now wine into the old bottles, as it were, and keeping the new-fangled machinery to entirely new work, so that the existing old wooden wheels of the Six Boards may go on without interference, and national defence and external relations may be managed out of the traditional system of the Empire. One thing comes out of this arrangement, and it is abundantly confirmed in other ways—that the railway question is entertained by the Government solely as a part of the national defence; and a very definite fact of the mind of everybody in the East is that the railway is a useful thing, and that the Imperial family that the principal members of it have opposed the railway idea with ardour. But they are at their wits' end to discover how to give effect to their plans. Railways have not been built in Korea, and the Viceroy Li has this motive acted on the Imperial family that the principal members of it have opposed the railway idea with ardour. 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E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.  
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,  
Hongkong, January 2, 1890. 19

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C. D. HARMAN, Agent.  
Hongkong, December 28, 1889. 2446

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.  
Hongkong, November 4, 1889. 2113

## QUREN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

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NORTON & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, July 15, 1887. 1340

## Intimations.

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HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the Head Office, No. 14, Prata Central, will be promptly attended to.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES, Secretary.  
Hongkong, August 25, 1885. 1455

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MADEWEN, FRICKEL & Co., General Managers.  
Hongkong, October 30, 1889. 2070

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Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Bremen & Ports of Call Bayern (s).	Norddeutscher Lloyd.	Jan. 19, at 10 a.m.	
Havre, London, &c. Denbighshire (s).	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Jan. 15, at noon.	
London, v. Suez Canal Oriental (s).	Russell & Co.	Jan. 10, at 4 p.m.	
Manila, Zaire (s).	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Jan. 10, at 4 p.m.	
Nasid, Kolo & Thauru Breconshire (s).	Butterfield & Swire.	Jan. 20, at 4 p.m.	
Port Darwin, &c. Taiwan (s).	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Jan. 9, at 1 p.m.	
S. Francisco, v. Japan City of Rio de Janeiro (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 13, at 3 p.m.	
S. Francisco, v. Japan City of Rio de Janeiro (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 13, at 3 p.m.	
Shanghai, v. Amoy. Dotted (s).	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Jan. 9, at 4 p.m.	
Shanghai, v. Amoy. Dotted (s).	Butterfield & Swire.	January 9.	
Shanghai, v. Amoy. Dotted (s).	Butterfield & Swire.	January 12.	
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S'pore, Penang & O'Connell (s).	Siemens & Co.	Jan. 10, at 10 a.m.	
S'pore, Penang & O'Connell (s).	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About January 13.	
S'pore, Penang & O'Connell (s).	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Jan. 10, at noon.	
S'pore, Penang & O'Connell (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 11, at noon.	
S'pore, Penang & O'Connell (s).	Douglas Lauder & Co.	Jan. 10, daylight.	
S'pore, Penang & O'Connell (s).	Yuen Fat Hong.	Jan. 24, at 4 p.m.	
S'pore, Penang & O'Connell (s).	Russell & Co.	Jan. 9, daylight.	
S'pore, Penang & O'Connell (s).	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Jan. 9, at noon.	
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## SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS—JANUARY 8, 1890

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Pay- up.	Closing Quotations, Cash.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	90,000	\$ 125	all	\$107 1/2, prem., buyers
MARINE INSURANCE CO., LTD.	10,000	\$ 250	all	\$0.130
Union Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	\$ 83.33	25	\$7.75, sellers
Chinese Insurance Co., Limited.	1,500	\$ 1,000	200	\$150, nominal
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	5,000	\$ 200	20	\$4.00, nominal
Strait Insurance Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$ 180	20	\$2.25
Union Insurance Society Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$ 250	25	\$11.25, ex div., buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	8,000	\$ 25	all	\$1.50
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$ 100	20	\$1.80, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$ 250	50	\$4.00, buyers
Strait Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$ 100	20	\$1.16
SHANGHAI FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.	40,000	\$ 100	20	\$1.16, nom.
Long & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	12,500	\$ 125	all	\$0.60 prem.
China and Manilla S. S. Co., Ltd.	3,500	\$ 50	all	\$1.20, buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited.	20,000	\$ 80	20	\$4.00, buyers
Indo China S. S. Company, Limited.	60,000	\$ 100	all	\$1.16 1/2, dis., buyers
Siam Land Company, Limited.	2,000	\$ 50	50	\$3.00, nominal
China Sugar Company, Limited.	15,000	\$ 100	all	\$2.75
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited.	7,000	\$ 10	all	\$7.25, sellers
WATERWORKS.				
H.K. & Kowloon Waterworks Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$ 50	all	\$1.00, nom.
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited.	50,000	\$ 100	50	\$1.03, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company.	6,000	\$ 50	50	\$0.816
Peak Building Company.	10,000	\$ 70	70	\$0.710
Richmond Terrace Building Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$ 100	100	\$1.00, 20/100, 24
Shanghai Land Company.	10,000	\$ 100	100	\$1.00, 20/100, 24
West Point Building Co., Limited.	12,500	\$ 50	50	\$0.47, sales
TRAMWAYS.				
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$ 10	10	\$0.50, 200% prem.
Jebeu Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	4,500	\$ 5	all	\$5
Panyong & Sanghie Dua Saman Mining Co.	61,000	\$ 10	all	\$20, buyers
Selama Tin Mining Company, Limited.	15,000	\$ 5	5	\$2.33, buyers
Societe Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin, etc.	25,000	\$ 5	5	\$0.57
China-Borneo Company, Limited.	7,500	\$ 100	50	\$5.45, nom.
Darvel Bay Trading Company, Ltd.	4,000	\$ 25	25	\$1.8 nom.
East Borneo Planting Co., Limited.	4,000	\$ 50	50	\$0.80, nom.
Labuk Planting Company, Limited.	5,000	\$ 50	50	\$1.80, nom.
Songel Koyah Planting Co., Ltd.	5,000	\$ 50	50	\$1.80, nom.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited.	6,000	\$ 50	50	\$1.80, nom.
The Lamag Planting Co., Limited.	6,000	\$ 50	50	\$1.80, nom.
HOZZES, etc.				
Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited.	4,000	\$ 50	50	\$2.50, dis.
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	3,000	\$ 100	all	\$2.10
Peak Hotel & Trading Co., Limited.	4,000	\$ 50	50	\$1.32, nom., ex div.
Borneo Hotel and Stores Co., Ltd.	1,000	\$ 50	50	\$1.32, nom., ex div.
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.	50,000	\$ 50	all	\$2.25, cash
Crutcher & Co., Limited.	1,000	\$ 50	all	\$2.05, sellers
DETRON.				
H.K. & China Gas Co., Limited.	5,100	\$ 10	10	\$1.13, sellers
New Shares.	1,000	\$ 10	10	\$7.11
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited.	30,000	\$ 10	10	\$6.85, cash
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Greenland Cement Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$ 50	50	\$0.40, 40, nom.
Hongkong Brick & Cement Co., Ltd.	4,000	\$ 25	25	\$1.17, 60/100
MISCELLANEOUS.				
A. G. Gordon & Co., Limited.	6,000	\$ 25	25	\$0.20, 20
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited.	1,200	\$ 10	all	\$1.11
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	6,000	\$ 25	25	\$0.20, nominal
Hongkong Bakers' Company, Ltd.	3,000	\$ 10	all	\$1.15
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited.	5,000	\$ 25	25	\$1.10
H'kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	3,000	\$ 50	all	\$1.00
Marine Insurance Co., Ltd.	3,000	\$ 50	25	\$0.67

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1884	\$1,394,700.14	\$500	3% p. annu.	3% prem., nominal.
" 1884	\$1,594,700.14	\$500	3% p. annu.	3% prem., nominal.
" 1889	\$1,707,200.14	\$500	3% p. annu.	3% prem., nominal.
Hongkong Hotel Mortgage Debentures, 1889	\$ 400,000.00	\$500	3% p. annu.	3% prem., nominal.

## Intimations.

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